

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 818

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Skyler Daniel Gordon,  
2012 Valedictorian of Northeast High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Skyler Daniel Gordon is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2012 graduating class at Northeast High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Skyler Gordon has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Skyler has earned an exemplary grade point average, while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including Youth Leadership Clarksville, Northeast High School Student Government, Freshman Focus, track and field, National Honor Society, Beta Club, the school newspaper, and the speech and debate team; and

WHEREAS, an active young leader in his community, Skyler Gordon has served as a chemistry tutor and assistant, an American Red Cross volunteer, and a member of the Northeast Elementary School Playground restoration team; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Mr. Gordon has received the Achievement of Academic Excellence Award and the Northeast High School Athletic Award; and

WHEREAS, Skyler Gordon's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success at Vanderbilt University, after which he plans to attend medical school and begin practicing internal medicine; and

WHEREAS, Skyler's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Cassie Gordon and Leonard Gordon, Sr., his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gordon's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2012 Northeast High School Valedictorian, Skyler Daniel Gordon, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.